The opinion in support of the decision being entered today is not binding precedent of the Board.

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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

EARL A. E. LUND, ROBERT C. PARKER, IAN R. SHANKLAND, Junior Party, (Patents 5,672,294 and 5,677,358)

V.

BARBARA H. MINOR Senior Party (Application 08/609,183).

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Patent Interference No. 104,749

Before: SCHAFER, TIERNEY and NAGUMO, <u>Administrative Patent Judges</u>. TIERNEY, <u>Administrative Patent Judge</u>.

#### FINAL JUDGMENT

This interference involves a single count, Count 1. Minor has two pending claims that correspond to Count 1, i.e., claims 17 and 18. (Notice Declaring Interference, Paper No. 1, p. 6). Minor has requested entry of adverse judgment as to all of Minor's claims that correspond to the count. (Minor Request for Adverse Judgment, Paper No. 54). As Minor has conceded priority as to all of Minor's corresponding claims, Minor has effectively abandoned the contest as to Count

## 1. Upon consideration of the record, it is:

**ORDERED** that judgment on priority as to Count 1 (Notice Declaring Interference, Paper No. 1, page 6), the sole count in the interference, is awarded *against* Senior Party Minor.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that Senior Party Minor is not entitled to a patent containing claims 17 and 18 of Minor U.S. Application No. 08/609,183.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this final decision shall be placed and given a paper number in the file of Lund, U.S. Patents 5,672,294 and 5,677,358 and Minor U.S. Application No. 08/609,183.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that if there is a settlement agreement, attention is directed to 35 U.S.C. § 135(c) and 37 CFR § 1.661.

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Administrative Patent Judge	)	
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